

JAMES'S

By His HIGHNESS the
Prince of Orange.

Lords and Gentlemen,

THE only Reason which Induced me to undergo so Dangerous an Undertaking, was, that I saw the *Laws and Liberties* of these Kingdoms overturn'd, and the *Protestant Religion* in Eminent Danger, and seeing you are here so many *Noblemen and Gentlemen*, I have called you together, that I may have your Advice what is to be done for lecturing the *Protestant Religion*, and Restoring Your *Laws and Liberties*, according to my Declaration.

TO HIS
HIGHNESS
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WE the Lords and Gentlemen of the Kingdom of Scotland, Assembled at Your Highness desire in this extraordinary Conjunction, and do give Your Highness our humble & hearty Thanks for your Pious and Generous Undertaking, for preserving the Protestant Religion, and the Laws and Liberties of these Kingdoms. In order to attaining these Ends, our humble advice and desire is that your Highness take upon you the Administration of Publick Affairs both Civil and Military, the disposal of the Publick Revenues and Fortresses of the Kingdom of Scotland; and the doing every thing that is necessary for the Preservation of the Peace of the Kingdom, untill a general meeting of the States of the Nation, which we humbly desire your Highness to call, to be holden at *Edinburgh* the 14 day of *March* next, by your Letter or Proclamation to be published at the Mercat Cross of *Edinburgh* and other head Boroughs of the severall Shires and Stewartries, as sufficient Intimation to all concerned according to the custom of the Kingdom; and that the publication of these your Letters of Proclamation be by the Sheriffs and Stewards, *Chieftains* the Free Holders, that have the value of Lands, holden according to Law for making Elections, and by the Town Clerks of the severall Burroughs for the meeting of the whole Burgessees of the Respective Royal Burroughs, to make their Elections at least 15 dayes before the meeting of the Estates at *Edinburgh*. And the said Respective Clerks to make intimation thereof at least 10 dayes before the meeting for Election, and that the whole Electors, and Members of the said meeting at *Edinburgh*, qualified as above expressed be Protestants without any other Exceptions or Limitations whatsoever, to deliberate and resolve what is to be done for securing the Protestant Religion and Restoring the Laws and Liberties of this Kingdom according to your Highness Declaration.

Dated at the Council Chamber at *Whitshall* the 10 Day of *January* 1689.

in the Year 1689.